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[WRMI remains off the air for now]

Mon 0400 WOR WBCQ 9330-CLSB
Mon 0430 WOR WSUI Iowa City IA 910
Mon 0515 WOR WBCQ 7415 [may shift to 0500?]
Mon 1700 WOR WBCQ after hours
Mon 1900 WOR RFPI [repeated 4-hourly thru Tue 1500]
Tue 1700 WOR WBCQ after hours
Wed 0030 WOR WBCQ 7415 [usually but temporary]
Wed 0100 WOR CJOY INTERNET RADIO plug-in required
Wed 1030 WOR WBCQ after hours
Wed 1700 WOR WBCQ after hours

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WRN ON DEMAND:

http://new.wrn.org/listeners/stations/station.php?StationID=24

OUR ONDEMAND AUDIO [also CONTINENT OF MEDIA, MUNDO RADIAL]: http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html or http://wor.worldofradio.org
WORLD OF RADIO 1291 (high version):
(stream) http://www.w4uvh.net/wor1291h.ram

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(download) http://www.w4uvh.net/wor1291h.rm
WORLD OF RADIO 1291 (low version):
  (stream) http://www.w4uvh.net/wor1291.ram
  (download) http://www.w4uvh.net/wor1291.rm
  (summary) http://www.worldofradio.com/wor1291.html [soon]

WORLD OF RADIO 1291 in true SW sound of Alex`s mp3:
  (stream) http://www.dxprograms.net/worldofradio_10-26-05.m3u
  (download) http://www.dxprograms.net/worldofradio_10-26-05.mp3

WORLD OF RADIO 1291 downloads in studio-quality mp3:
  (high) http://www.obriensweb.com/wor1291h.mp3
  (low) http://www.obriensweb.com/wor1291.mp3

WORLD OF RADIO PODCAST: www.obriensweb.com/wor.xml
  (currently: 1288, Extra 61, 1289, Extra 62, 1290, 1291)
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** AFGHANISTAN [non]. R. Solh is doing just fine on new 15265, ex-17700, Oct 30 at 1320 with usual music, and again at 1414 check (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Also loud and clear here at 1400 (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. La Rosa de Tokyo para hoy! * "La Rosa De Tokio" ((LS11 Radio Provincia))

Recuerden que el Grupo Radioescucha Argentino est· colaborando con LA ROSA DE TOKIO, el programa de DX y comunicaciones que se irradia por LS11 Radio Provincia, La Plata, Argentina, con 56 kw! en su horario habitual de 13 a 14 hora argentina (1600 a 1700 UT) y tambiÉn en Internet, en http://www.radioprovincia.gba.gov.ar

La tem·tica que se desarrolla cada domingo consiste en la investigaciûn y an·lisis de la situaciûn radiofûnica en un pals. Se revisa su historia, su actualidad polltica y social y, por supuesto, se revisan y analizan sus emisoras de radio y TV m·s representativas.

La emisiÛn correspondiente al domingo 30 de Octubre de 2005 de La Rosa de Tokyo estar· dedicada a revisar la historia y el presente de la radio de onda corta en Peru. El programa incluye un an·lisis de varias emisoras que han marcado la historia de la radiodifusiÛn local. No se pierdan las grabaciones histÛricas que se incluir·n en el programa!!!

Recuerden que todos los s·bados a las 19 hora argentina, 22 UT se emite la ROSA DE TOKIO por internet en el sitio: http://www.frecuencia9.com.ar AquÌ hacemos un mix de programas ya emitidos con el fin que los temas que se perdieron el domingo los escuchen el s·bado. 73 (Arnaldo Slaen, GRA, bclnews.it, Oct 29 via DXLD)

Glad to hear that, since there is too much else going on Sunday at 16, and I missed it again this week; but why not just availablize it on demand, rather than having to catch it at a specific time on the next Saturday? BTW, apparently Argentina is not going on DST this year, so remains UT -3. Could not find any mention of it changing at timeanddate.com (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRIA. Austrian Radio One OUR TIMES FROM 30TH of OCTOBER 2005 TO 25TH OF MARCH 2006 All programmes on short wave All times in UTC

EUROPE - SHORT WAVE 0500-2308 UT 6155 kHz 0500-1830 UT 13730 kHz 1830-2308 UT 5945 kHz

WORLDWIDE - SHORT WAVE

Middle East 0600-0700 UT 17870 kHz America East 0030-0100 UT 7325 kHz

America West 1600-1700 UT 13675 kHz [via CANADA, they might add]

Central America 0000-0030 UT 7325 kHz South America 2330-0000 UT 9870 kHz Asia / Australia 1300-1400 UT 17855 kHz

Report from Austria, a 15 minute news and current affairs programme on the air Monday to Friday, keeps you up to date on what's happening in Austria with news bulletins as well as interviews and features from the world of domestic and international politics, business, culture and sports

MONDAY

Europe: T1 Programme, with the exceptions: 1305-1320: Report from Austria (English) 2155-2200 Noticiero de Austria (Spanish

Middle East:

0600-0700: As for Europe

America East:

0030-0033: News in German

0033-0000: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English)

America West:

1600-1605: News in German

1605-1620: Report from Austria (English) 1620-1625: Regional radio-News in German

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1625-1630: Wissen aktuell - in German
1630-1635: News in German
1635-1640: Wissen aktuell - in German
1640-1645: Regional radio-News in German
1645-1700: Report from Austria (English)
Central America:
0000-0005: News in German
0005-0030: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English)
South America:
2330-2335: News in German
2335-0000: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English)
Asia / Australia:
1300-1305: News in German
1305-1320: Report from Austria (English)
1320-1325: Regional radio-News in German
1325-1330: Wissen aktuell - in German
1330-1335: News in German
1335-1340: Wissen aktuell - in German
1340-1345: Regional radio-News in German
1345-1400: Report from Austria (English)
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY
Europe: T1 Programme, with the exceptions:
1345-1400: Report from Austria (English)
2155-2200 Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
Middle East:
0600-0700: As for Europe
America East:
0030-0035: Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
0035-0043: Mitternachtsjournal - in German
0043-0058: Report from Austria (English)
America West:
1600-1605: News in German
1605-1610: Wissen aktuell - in German
1610-1615: Regional radio-News in German
1615-1630: Report from Austria (English)
1630-1700: Repeat
Central America:
0000-0005: Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
0005-0013: Mitternachtsjournal
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0013-0030: Report from Austria (English)
South America:
2330-2335: Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
2335-2343: Mitternachtsjournal - in German
2343-2358: Report from Austria (English)
Asia / Australia:
1300-1305: News in German
1305-1310: Wissen Aktuell - in German
1310-1315: Regionalradio-News in German
1315-1330: Report from Austria
1330-1400: Repeat
SATURDAY
Europe: T1 Programme, with the exceptions:
1300-1305: Regional radio-News in German
1305-1330: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English)
1330-1400: Repeat
Middle East:
0600-0700: As for Europe
Amerika East:
0030-0035: Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
0035-0043: Mitternachtsjournal - in German
0043-0058: Report from Austria (English)
America West:
1601-1605: Regional radio-News in German
1605-1630: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English)
1630-1700: Repeat
Central America:
0000-0005: Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
0005-0012: Mitternachtsjournal - in German
0015-0030: Report from Austria (English)
South America:
2330-2335: Noticiero de Austria (Spanish)
2335-2343: Mitternachtsjournal - in German
2343-2358: Report from Austria (Englisch)
Asia / Australia:
1300-1305: Regional radio-News in German
1305-1330: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English)
1330-1400: Repeat
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SUNDAY

Europe: T1 Programme, with the exceptions: 1300-1305: News in German 1305-1330: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) 1330-1400: Repeat Middle East: 0600-0605: News in German 0605-0630: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) 0630-0700: Repeat America East: 0030-0033: News in German 0033-0100: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) America West: 1600-1605: Regional radio-News in German 1605-1630: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) 1630-1700: Repeat Central America: 0000-0005: News in German 0005-0030: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) South America: 2330-2335: News in German 2335-0000: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) Asia / Australia: 1300-1305: Regional radio-News in German 1305-1330: Report from Austria - The Week in Review (English) 1330-1400: Repeat (via Daniel Sampson, Prime Time Shortwave, http://www.primetimeshortwave.com dxldyg via DXLD)

** BELARUS. Radio Hrodna (or Grodno) 6040 with QSL-bill, picture postcard and short letter from Sergey Alekseychik, a DXer helping Radio Hrodna to reply to reception reports from us DXers. Radio Hrodna has local programs on among others 6040 kHz at 1500 UT. The effect is 5 kW. Oct 24 a new QSL-card arrived from Radio Grodno (Hrodna) 6040 kHz. Obviously they have printed a new own QSL-card showing the castle in Grodno and has perfect QSL-text in English (Christer Brunstr^m, Sweden, SW Bulletin Oct 30, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST) Local program now 1600 UT? (gh)

** BURMA [non]. DEMOCRATIC VOICE OF BURMA CHANGES FREQUENCIES | Text of report by Norway-based Burmese Democratic Voice of Burma on 25 October

Dear listeners, the Democratic Voice of Burma will be changing some of its frequencies beginning from Sunday, 30 October.

The programme being broadcast from 2100 to 2200 [1430-1530 gmt] on shortwave 16 metres, 17625 kilohertz, will now be broadcast on 17495 kilohertz. There will be no change to the shortwave frequency of 19 metres, 15480 kilohertz.

The programme being broadcast from 0600 to 0700 [2330-0030 gmt] on shortwave 31 metres will be broadcast on 49 metres, 5955 kilohertz, beginning from Monday, 31 October.

Hence, with effect from 30 October, the 2100-2200 evening programme can be heard on 16 metres, 17495 kilohertz, and on 19 metres, 15480 kilohertz.

The 0600-0700 programme on Monday, 31 October, can be tuned in on 49 metres, 5955 kilohertz. Source: Democratic Voice of Burma, Oslo, in Burmese 1430 gmt 25 Oct 05 (via BBCM via DXLD)

** CAMBODIA. I took "very late summer holidays" at the end of last September to visit Cambodia for sightseeing. I visited two cities, Siem Reap and the capital city Phnom Penh. And I found, many privateowned FM stations are operating in both cities. While I stayed at Siem Reap from Sep 28 to Oct 01, I confirmed the following stations:

Sweet FM on 79.1 and 100.5 MHz, Love FM in English on 76.1 MHz, Love FM in Khmer on 97.5 MHz, R Bayon FM on 93.0 MHz I also confirmed relay of R France Int. on 92.0 MHz. Then at Phnom Penh on Oct 01, I confirmed R Apsara on 97.0 MHz, Ta Phrom Radio on 90.5 MHz and many other private stations. Relay of BBC in English was confirmed on 100.0 MHz, but relay of R Australia could not be heard at all on 101.5 MHz while WRTH2005 says R Australia broadcasts on that frequency 24 hours a day. It is characteristic that these private stations share much time on Cambodian popular songs and advertisements of private corporations. Sometimes short talk programs, call-in by listeners could also be heard (Nobuya Kato, Fujisawa-city, Kanagawa, Japan, visiting Cambodia, DSWCI DX Window Oct 19 via DXLD)

It would be interesting if Cambodian FM stations also use the Japanese band of 76-90 MHz; Nobuya was no doubt using a Japanese FM receiver tuning down to 76 MHz; however, 79.1 just happens to be exactly 21.4 MHz below 100.5, i.e. an IF image of 10.7 x 2 = 21.4 MHz. As for the one on 76.1, I'll bet that was really the same station heard on 97.5.

One reason a typical FM receiver IF of 10.7 MHz was chosen is that 21.4 MHz is wider than the entire FM band 88-108 MHz and thus no images would fall within that band. When you bring the Japanese band into play, however, the problem resurfaces. E.g., I want to hear channel 5 TV audio on 81.75 MHz, but there is a local FM on 103.1; minus 21.4 = 81.70 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CAMEROON [non]. NEW TARGET BROADCAST --- Starting today on 30 October: "Radio Free Southern Cameroons" Sundays 1800-1900 UT via Krasnodar, Russia, 12130 (300 kW), TDP-brokered (Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

LAUNCHING RADIO FREE SOUTHERN CAMEROONS Email: radiofreesoutherncameroons @ yahoo.com

There comes a time in the history of an oppressed people when they have to stand up and speak out. Fellow Southern Cameroonians, that time has come. Freedom is a natural right. For close to half a century, that right has been denied us. We can no longer afford to remain silent. It is time for the world to hear us. You are invited to tune in, with the rest of the world, on Sunday, October 30, at 7:00 pm to 8pm to RADIO FREE SOUTHERN CAMEROONS (RFSC), broadcasting from our national capital in BUEA, on 25 Meter Band Shortwave.

The broadcast will continue same time, same station, every Sunday. Web broadcast can be viewed at the national webpage http://www.fdrsoutherncameroons.info

History reminds us that power concedes nothing without demand. We hereby appeal to the alien regime that currently occupies our motherland to heed to the voice of reason and pull out. Forty-four years of experience have proven that culturally, linguistically and socially, Southern Cameroonians and La Republique du Cameroon are two very different people. We have absolutely nothing in common. In the interest of comity therefore, it behooves each of the nation-state to independently pursue its destiny.

We are embarking here on a course of no-return. Freedom is that one human value that is non-negotiable. It can be delayed, but it cannot be denied. Ours has been delayed for too long. We invite La Republique du Cameroun to listen to the voice of reason and pull out peaceably. We are willing to avoid another Rwanda. We do not welcome the replay of another Liberia on our motherland. But that is the alternative La Republique begs for, we will stop at nothing to reclaim our natural rights. We invite La Republique du Cameroun not to be caught up in amnesia. We invite the international community [not?] to forget the lessons of recent history.

There comes a time when a people whose rights have been denied for too long, need to stand up and demand those rights. Fellow Southern Cameroonians, that times has come. Tune in and listen to Radio Free Southern Cameroons.

For further information, email radiofreesoutherncameroons @ yahoo.com To make DONATIONS for the radio project electronically through PAYPAL or otherwise, email freedomlandfoundation @ yahoo.com

Long Live Radio Free Southern Cameroons Long Live the Federal Republic of Southern Cameroons Approved For Release by RFSC BOARD © 2005 October 25, 2005

Quote from http://www.fdrsoutherncameroons.info/radio.htm (via Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, dxldyg via DXLD)

Fair to good signal on clear channel 12130, moderate fading, identification in English at 1800 sign on as Radio Free Southern Cameroons, opening music with choir singing about freedom and straight into another song in English, again about freedom (Mike Barraclough, England, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [and non]. RCI 14-17 UT is now scheduled on 9515, 13655 and 17820 seven days a week. Sun Oct 30, at 1418 found 13655 absent, but OK on other two. And ex-17800 is now occupied by DRM from DW Sines 90 degrees to Europe at 14-16. Hello? Why was RCI running nothing but IS and IDs on 9650 at 1405 and still at 1418 recheck? Misplaced feed from CRI? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Altho the new time and frequency schedule goes into effect Oct 30 for RCI, it so happens that domestic CBC, for whom the concept ``B-05`` is meaningless, is making some programming changes Nov 7, so this program schedule does not start until then, altho the frequency info should now be in effect; English excerpted: (gh)

B05 Broadcast Schedule for Radio (Medium Wave / Short Wave / FM Band) Effective November 7th, 2005 (07:00 UTC) to March 26th, 2006 (07:00 UTC)

1200-1259 YAM 7105 100 270 Asia / China

YAM 9665 300 235

MON: Writers & Company

TUE-THU: Night Time Review / Outfront

FRI: Global Village

SAT: C'est la Vie / Wiretap

SUN: Quirks & Quarks

1300-1329 YAM 9665 300 235 Asia / China

YAM 9725 100 270

MON & THU: Spotlight TUE: Media Zone

WED: The Maple Leaf Mailbag

FRI & SUN: Business Sense SAT: Scitech File

1400-1659:30 SAC 9515 100 212 Central and Eastern USA / Cuba / Haiti

SAC 13655 250 240 SAC 17820 100 189

MON-THU: The Current / Sounds Like Canada / National Playlist FRI: The Current / Sounds like Canada / Madly Off in All

Directions / National Playlist

SAT: The House / Vinyl CafÈ / Quirks & Quarks

SUN: The Sunday Edition

1500-1557 KUN 9635 500 283 India

URU 11975 500 212

MON: Canada Today / Media Zone
TUE: Canada Today / The Mailbag
WED: Canada Today / Spotlight
THU: Canada Today / Business Sense
FRI: Canada Today / Scitech File
SAT: Business Sense / Scitech File
SUN: The Maple Leaf Mailbag / Spotlight

1800-1859 KAS 7185 100 239 Sub-Saharan Africa

KAS 9770 100 239 WER 11875 250 135 SAC 17740 250 105

MON: Canada Today / Media Zone
TUE: Canada Today / The Mailbag
WED: Canada Today / Spotlight
THU: Canada Today / Business Sense
FRI: Canada Today / Scitech File
SAT: Business Sense / Scitech File
SUN: The Maple Leaf Mailbag / Spotlight

2100-2259 SAC 15180 250 240 South East USA / Cuba / Haiti

MON-FRI: Freestyle

SAT: Definitely Not the Opera SUN: Cross Country Checkup

2100-2159 HBY 5850 350 245 Europe

SAC 9770 250 60

MON: Canada Today / Media Zone TUE: Canada Today / The Mailbag WED: Canada Today / Spotlight

THU: Canada Today / Business Sense FRI: Canada Today / Scitech File SAT: Business Sense / Scitech File

SUN: The Maple Leaf Mailbag / Spotlight

2200-2229 SAC 11990 250 176 South America

MON-FRI: The World at Six

SAT: Madly Off in All Directions

SUN: The Maple Leaf Mailbag

2230-2259 KIM 6160 100 225 China

KIM 7195 100 305 YAM 9730 300 235

MON & SAT: Media Zone

TUE & SUN: The Maple Leaf Mailbag

WED: Spotlight
THU: Business Sense
FRI: Scitech File

2300-2359:30 SAC 6100 100 212 Northeast United States

MON-FRI: World at Six / As It Happens

SAT: The World This Weekend / Madly Off in All Directions SUN: The World This Weekend / The Maple Leaf Mailbag

2330-2359 SOL 1179 300 MW Northern Europe

MON-FRI: Canada Today SAT: Media Zone

SUN: The Maple Leaf Mailbag

0000-0159:30 SAC 9755 250 227 United States / Cuba / Mexico

MON: The World This Weekend / The Maple Leaf Mailbag / Writers &

Company

TUE-SAT: The World at Six / As It Happens

FRI: Dispatches at 0130 UT

SUN: The World This Weekend / Madly Off in All Directions /

Global Village

0000-0057 KUN 9880 100 177 South East Asia

MON: Tapestry

TUE-SAT: The World at Six / As It Happens

SUN: The Vinyl Cafè

B05 Broadcast Schedule for Radio (Digital Radio Mondial - DRM)

1430-1500 FLE 7240 40 123 Central & Eastern Europe

MON & THU: Spotlight TUE: Media Zone

WED: The Maple Leaf Mailbag

FRI & SUN: Business Sense SAT: Scitech File

2200-2300 SAC 9800 70 268 Northeast United States

MON-FRI: The World at Six / As It Happens

SAT: Vinyl CafÈ

SUN: Writers & Company

Transmitter Sites

FLE: FLEVO, THE NETHERLANDS SOL: S÷LVESBORG, SWEDEN HBY: HOERBY, SWEDEN URU: URUMOI, CHINA

KAS: KASHI, CHINA

KIM: KIMJAE, REPUBLIC OF KOREA

SAC: SACKVILLE, CANADA WER: WERTACHTAL, GERMANY

KUN: KUNMING, CHINA YAM: YAMATA, JAPAN

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** CHAD. RNT, 6165, <1900-2230*, Oct. 28, dominating over Croatia, 0=3, French, Arabic, music, very typical (Thorsten Hallmann, M.nster, Germany, http://africa.coolfreepage.com/africalist Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. Once again this B, it's commies vs commies, as CRI via Canada resumes 15230, despite R Habana Cuba on same. Oct 30 at 1319 CRI English was way over RHC, and after 1415 it was still in English, way over 'Alo, Presidente' relay. CRI had been on 15260; glad it's gone making 15265 clear for Solh. But running two Sackville transmitters only 10 kHz apart, with Sweden relay on 15240, makes overload/mixing products on 15220 and 15250. Meanwhile at 1417, CRI English via Cuba is still on squealing 13740 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. CRI BROADCAST TIMES AND FREQUENCIES FOR ENGLISH SERVICE (Beginning Oct 30th, 2005) [gh removed all extraneous material: semicolons, Beijing time, local time, target cities, duplications]

North America (East Coast) 2300-2400 6040 11970 2400-0200 6020 9570 0100-0200 6005 9580

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0300-0400 9690 9790
0400-0500 6190
0500-0600 5960 6190
0600-0700 6115
1100-1200 5960
1300-1400 9570 11885 15230
1300-1400 (Washington D.C) 1120AM#
1400-1500 13675 15230 13740
1500-1600 13740
North America (West Coast)
2300-2400 6040 11970
0100-0200 6005 9580
0300-0400 9690 9790
0400-0500 6190 9755
0500-0600 6190 5960
0600-0700 6115
1100-1200 5960
1300-1400 9570 11885 15230
1400-1500 13675 15230 13740
1500-1600 13740
Caribbean Sea
2300-2400 5990
Europe
0700-0900 11785 17490
0900-1100 17490
1100-1300 13665 17490
1200-1300 13790
1300-1400 13610 13790
1400-1500 9700 9795 13610
1500-1600 9435 9525
1600-1700 7255 9435 9525
1600-1800 (London) 558AM
1700-1800 6100 7255
1800-1900 6100
2000-2100 7190 9600 9490
2000-2200 5960 7285
2100-2130 (Helsinki) 97.5FM
2100-2200 9490 7190 9600 1386(Lithuania)
2200-2300 7170
2200-2400 1440(Luxemburg)
0000-0200 7345
Southeast Asia
1600-1800 1080
1200-1300 1341 9730 11980 684
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South Asia
1600-1800 1323
2300-2400 5915 7180
0000-0200 6075 7180
0200-0300 11770 13640
0300-0400 15110 11770
0500-0900 11880 15350 15465 17540
1100-1200 1269
1200-1300 1188 1269
1400-1500 9560 11675 11765 11775
1500-1600 1188 1323 7160 9785 11775
West Asia
1900-2000 7295
2000-2100 7295 9440
0500-0700 17505
0600-0700 11770 15140
The South Pacific
0900-1100 15210 17690
1200-1300 11760 9760
1300-1400 11760 11900
East and South Africa
1400-1600 13685 17630
1600-1800 11900 9570
2000-2130 11640 13630
West and North Africa
1900-2000 9440 7295
2000-2100 9440 7295
0500-0600 7220
0500-0700 17505
0600-0700 11750
(Ying Lian [collective name], CRI, via Erik K<sup>-</sup>ie, Denmark, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)
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** COLOMBIA. HJCK El Mundo en Bogot· --- Esto hace parte de una competencia que han iniciado RCN y Caracol por "hacerse" via concesiÛn o arrendamiento de m·s emisoras en el FM de Colombia; asì toman por arriendo las emisoras comerciales durante contrato a 5 aòos con una opciÛn de compra al final.

De esta forma RCN "tomÛ" las emisoras en FM de la Cadena S`per en varias ciudades y como respuesta Caracol tomÛ la emblematica HJCK acen Bogot; se rumora que hay negociaciones con otras cadenas como

Melodìa (Rafael Rodrìguez, Colombia, condig list via DXLD)

Escribe el diario El Tiempo, de Bogot: Octubre 24 de 2005 EDITORIAL

Que no se apague la HJCK

Triste noticia, y no sûlo para la "inmensa minorla" que fielmente la siguiû, la salida del aire de la HJCK, la emisora cultural que durante 50 aòos trajo el mundo a Bogot. Fundada, al comenzar la segunda mitad del siglo pasado, por ¡lvaro Castaòo Castillo, a quien secundû un grupo de intelectuales que deseaban aprovechar las posibilidades masivas de la radio en beneficio de la difusiûn de la cultura, y sobre todo de la m'sica culta, la HJCK era uno de los emblemas de la Bogot. que a'n conservaba la ilusiûn de merecer el famoso apodo de Atenas Suramericana.

CastaÒo Castillo, su esposa, Gloria Valencia, y su selecta red de colaboradores sostuvieron la HJCK contra miles de dificultades, en una abnegada labor que los bogotanos supieron apreciar y agradecer. La celebraciÛn de los 50 aÒos de la emisora fue un merecido homenaje a sus fundadores, y todo hacla pensar que tenla asegurado el porvenir. Sin embargo, la emisora culta por excelencia, la que divulgÛ a los grandes maestros de la misica, antiguos y modernos, la que realizÛ entrevistas extraordinarias con figuras de la literatura colombiana y universal, dejaro de sonar, al menos en la frecuencia tradicional, pues se traslada a las regiones de la Internet, como hjck.com. Su lugar, en el familiar 89.9 FM, lo ocuparo una emisora de Caracol, de misica moderna y para la juventud, en una obvia movida para competir con La Mega, de RCN, que esto un clic mos allo, en el 90.9.

Una amplia mayorla agradecerla a Caracol el esfuerzo de salvar la HJCK. Tal vez todavla sea tiempo de evitar que esa grata voz cultural se apague (via Henrik Klemetz, ibid.)

Durante muchos aòos estuvo en 1160 kHz, luego pasû a FM y ahora parece que seguir· oyÈndose 'nicamente por internet. La emisora ha editado grabaciones histûricas de mucho valor, como por ejemplo una que contiene la voz del polìtico Jorge EliÈcer Gait·n. Miren su p·gina web y maravÌllense (Henrik Klemetz, Sweden, Oct 26, condidg list via DXLD)

** CROATIA [non]. Croatian Radio via Germany confirmed on 7285 in the 40-meter hamband to NAm, for B-05, around 0210 UT Oct 30, ex-9925 (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. RHC was missing from most of its usual frequencies Oct 30 around 1340 when I was wanting to hear En Contacto, the Spanish DX

program at 1335-1350: not on 12000, 11805, 11760 or 9550! Finally audible on 6000 including feature about War of the Worlds. See also CHINA, VENEZUELA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. R. Martl now using 15330 much earlier than before, heard Oct 30 at 1429 with constantly repeated disclaimer about US immigration policy. Frequency grid at http://www.martinoticias.com/frequencies.htm still hasn't been updated since April, showing 15330 opening at 1800 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CZECH REPUBLIC. R. Prague confirmed on its traditional B-season morning frequency in English to North America at 14, 21745, Oct 30 at 1409, good signal. It's nice to hear this service maintained and funxional despite zero-sunspots! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. EGYPT/SAUDI ARABIA: NEW ISLAMIC SATELLITE CHANNEL FOR NON-ARABIC SPEAKERS | Text of report by London-based newspaper Al-Quds al-Arabi on 25 October

An authoritative Saudi source has announced that a new Islamic satellite channel aimed at non-Arabic speakers has been launched at a preliminary cost of 50m riyals [13.3m dollars] and said the channel would be based in Cairo.

The source said the first introductory reception of Al-Huda [right path] satellite channel was held in holy Mecca on Sunday night [23 October] in the presence of a group of ulema led by Shaykh Abdallah Bin-Sulayman al-Mani, member of the Senior Ulema Council, and Dr Salman Bin-Fahd al-Awdah, the well-known preacher and supervisor of the Islam Today website. He pointed out that the channel would avoid doctrinal disagreements.

Shaykh Hamad al-Ghammas, chairman of the new channel's board of directors, said the channel is seeking to carry out the mission for which it was established, which is to seek to guide the viewer to a centrist course through constructive television material and is targeting in its transmissions two groups: non-Arabic speaking Muslims and non-Muslims who speak Arabic all over the world. It will broadcast in three languages: English, French and Spanish.

Al-Ghammas pointed out that Al-Huda channel aims to acquaint the viewer with the Muslim world and its cultures, legacies, peoples and historic depth, present the Islamic values and explain their role in improving the performance of societies, highlight Islam's respect for women, disprove many of the suspicions that are raised against Islam, instruct the Muslim minorities about the way of coexisting with non-

Muslims, plant the virtuous values of Islam, and present the documented shari'ah fatwas to the viewers.

He added that the channel is at present broadcasting in English round the clock on the Nilesat satellite [Nilesat 101 at 7 degrees west] and includes varied programmes on teaching the Holy Koran, direct fatwas, and recital of the Koran by well-known readers accompanied by a translation of its meaning. The channel will also carry live relay of al-tarawih [prayers held after breaking the fast during Ramadan] from the Holy Mosque and the Prophet's Mosque and they too are accompanied by a translation of the Holy Koran. The channel's plans include an expansion of documentaries and children and youth programmes.

He went on to say that the channel focuses in its programmes on a positive media rhetoric and takes into account the variety of the races and styles of those who present them for the purpose of highlighting the universality of Islam and that it is not restricted to a specific race. It also avoids doctrinal differences and fanaticism for a view or doctrine.

On his part, Abd-al-Rahman al-Barak, the channel's executive director said it has completed the necessary licences and registered in the media centre in Cairo and also finished equipping the transmission studio and programme centres in Cairo and the production of 430 television hours. It has also bought 100 hours from specialized production establishments. He pointed out that the channel's internet website has been equipped and it would start transmission next Sunday. He said that care was taken to ensure variety of transmission and production and the preliminary transmission coverage would be directed towards north and south Africa, west Asia, and parts of Europe. Negotiations would be held with the management of a satellite that covers half the world.

Abd-al-Rahman al-Barahim, the channel's general director, said one of its first important steps is to complete the proposed capital of 50 million riyals so as to transmit 500 television hours and noted the cost of a one-hour production only is 10,000 riyals. He added that the channel has finalized cooperation with satellite channels devoted to call programmes, among them channels in Malaysia, India and South Africa. He said five million riyals have so far been spent on launching the channel, which started transmission at the beginning of Ramadan [3 October] and noted that the channel has received subscriptions from more than 150,000 viewers from all over the world so far. Source: Al-Quds al-Arabi, London, in Arabic 25 Oct 05 p 2 (via BBCM via DXLD)

** ERITREA. ERITREAN RADIO STATION COVERING EASTERN SUDAN TO BE LAUNCHED SOON | Text of report by Sudanese newspaper Al-Watan on 28

October

The Eastern Radio station has launched its trial broadcasts on MW 330 at 909 Khz between 7-10 a.m. and 7-10 p.m.

The Eritrean station aims at establishing principles of justice, democracy, peace and disseminating human rights in Eritrea. Official programmes will begin broadcasting during Id al-Fitr and will include interviews with opposition leaders in addition to society figures and those representing social entities.

Programmes will also concentrate on culture, civilization, arts and society. The station, which will broadcast its programmes in Arabic and Tigrinya, will cover the whole of Eritrea and some areas of neighbouring states including Sudan and Ethiopia.

Source: Al-Watan, Khartoum, in Arabic 28 Oct 05 (via BBCM via DXLD)

** EUROPE. 15074.24, NETHERLANDS (PIRATE), Alfa Lima Radio; 1610-1622+30 October, 2005. On again, very good level with instrumental technorave music, man in accented English with "... Alfa Lima Radio... broadcasting from the Netherlands..." and then reading e-mail reception reports from North America, mentioning using 15074 due to some utility interference on 15070 (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. I have sponsored a 45 minute long programme on Laser Hot Hits (4025, 6219, 6285) and it will be sent with start Nov 4 at several occasions during about 3 weeks. Music from the 60-ies and some country and greetings for SWB and ARC. Maybe somebody listen on "my" programme???? (Christer Brunstr^m, Sweden, SW Bulletin Oct 30, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FIJI [and non]. FIJI MONITORS CHRISTIAN TV CONTENT | Text of report by Fiji Village website on 28 October

The Information Ministry is now monitoring all the Christian programmes on Trinity Television following complaints that some preachers are openly attacking other religions in the country.

Information Minister Marieta Rigamoto said some members of the public are concerned about some sermons that have been aired directly from the US. She said a team has now been set up to view all the programmes.

Rigamoto stresses that Trinity TV can only air programmes stated under their licence. Trinity TV is expected to comment later today. Source: Fiji Village website, Suva, in English 28 Oct 05 (via BBCM via DXLD) I guess this refers to TBN (gh, DXLD)

- ** FRANCE. The Communist French daily l'HumanitÈ reports that a new all-music public-radio channel, France Vivace, will go on the air December 14 at 1 pm [1200 UT]. Similar to France-Musiques, it will replace the existing Hector channel (Mike Cooper, Oct 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WTFK?
- ** FRANCE [and non]. RFI, English, 1645 Oct 30 with Box 9516, another news quiz, on 15160 via South Africa, split second delay behind 15605 direct (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** FRANCE. RADIO FRANCE INTERNATIONALE CREATES AFRICA, WORLD SERVICE DIVISIONS | Text of report by French news agency AFP

Paris, 25 October: Radio France Internationale (RFI) has just created two divisions, with programmes for Africa and for the rest of the world - an Africa service division and a world service division - the radio said in a statement on Tuesday [25 October].

RFI has also created a Europe unit, so as to "co-ordinate the different ways of reporting European news", the radio said. The three new structures will come under RFI's news directorate.

The Africa service division will "handle programmes intended for the African continent", while the world service division will "handle programmes intended for the rest of the world, including the Paris FM frequency", the radio said.

The managing editors of these two services "will draw up and implement the programme strategy suitable to their respective target audiences", RFI said.

Henri Perilhou was appointed managing editor of the Africa service, Pierre Ganz managing editor of the world service and Valerie Laine will be in charge of the Europe unit, the statement said. RFI's president, Antoine Schwarz, also appointed Olivier Da Lage head of the international service and Anne-Marie Capomaccio head of the Africa service. Source: AFP news agency, Paris, in French 1033 gmt 25 Oct 05 (via BBCM via DXLD)

- ** GABON. RTG, 4777, -1657*, O=2/3, F, music, on several days recently, so possibly SW is only used local daytime. worth trying 4777 at 0500/0530 and maybe 7271 0800/1600 (Thorsten Hallmann, M_snster, Germany, http://africa.coolfreepage.com/africalist Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** GERMANY [and non]. DW in English at 1650 Oct 30 on 11695, via

Wertachtal to S Asia, 1700 into unknown language on same but reception improved with switch to Sri Lanka relay (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE [non]. VOG via Delano is now on 15485, when checked Oct 30 at 1559, instead of planned 15475. That's good for LRA-36! But bad for Voz Cristiana, Chile in Portuguese, which is presumably still on 15485 under this monstruous signal. I would NOT have recommended VOG use 15485, since VC co^perated earlier this year in moving off 15475. Possibly, DL 15485 will not bother VC much in its Brazilian target area, and VC is way off-beam here and not very strong, so no problem for listeners to VOG in NAm. If BBCWS is still also trying to use 15485 to N Africa, it may have increased QRM now. I also noted that 9775 is still used by VOG earlier via Delano, staying on past 1500. Axually, 15485 splatter will probably still wipe out LRA-36 here 9 kHz away; we get the first hop aimed almost directly at us, huge ERP. I wonder if this one will put out spurs like the one from 17705 on 17838v tricking people into thinking they were hearing El Salvador (Glenn Hauser, Enid, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREENLAND. 3815U, 24.10 2112, Greenland with music. Abrupt closedown in the middle of a tune. QSA 2 (Jan Edh, Sweden, SW Bulletin Oct 30, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3815, 23.10 2033, Ammassalik Radio with Greenland's KNR-relay // 650. Was in fact better on SW than on MW. News then classical jazz with very strange tones and rhythms. S 3-4 for a while! (Bj^rn Fransson, ibid.) Remember this should now be one UT hour later, 2100-2215* (gh)

** INDIA. 4970, AIR-Shillong, Oct 30, 1455-1508, sub-cont. pop music and songs, ToH `This is All India Radio,` five minutes of news in English, then back to music, weak. Also noted AIR on 4775 with sub-continental music at 1502. No sign of AIR on the new frequencies of 4810 (Bhopal), 4870 (Shimla) nor 4980 (Gangtok). Has the move here been delayed or was I just not hearing them? (Ron Howard, Monterey, CA, RX340 + T2FD antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I heard nothing on the new frequencies here this morning as well, and propagation was good to the sub-continent. I did detect a carrier still on 3390 (Steve Lare, Holland, MI, USA, Oct 30, http://www.iserv.net/~n8kdv/dxpage.htm ibid.)

AIR not the only entity unwilling or unable to make massive schedule changes on a weekend even tho the season always start on Sundays (gh, DXLD)

** INDONESIA. Checking VOI 9525, Oct 30 at 1303, tuned in just in time to hear ``Warta Berita`` mentioned, then dead air. 1309 comes back

with flute music; co-channel QRM, Poland? Unseems // 11850. 1316 recheck, audio seemed to be petering out, in phone interview. Later chex during this hour, just OC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL. Note that a number of B-05 schedules for gospel-huxters, consisting of obscure languages intelligible to only a few people who would be better off without such interference in their cultures, have not been included in DXLD, also because they are usually disjointed and would require a lot of gh's time in fixing them up to be presentable. Unless properly formatted versions reach us, they may never appear in DXLD, but chances are they have been posted in their original form on the dxld yahoogroup. They are admittedly of some interest for DXing and bandscanning, if only to identify what one runs across (Glenn Hauser) However,

** INTERNATIONAL. Christian Vision B05 Frequency Schedule Effective from Oct 30, 2005

[sites not given; Asian services are partly from Darwin, and partly from Central Asian if not other sites; African from Zambia; Latin American from Chile. Maybe also some European relays --- gh]

Asia (Voice International)

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Chinese (Mandarin) Target area - China
0400-0600
            15250
0600-1200
            17635
1200-1500
            13685
1500-1800
            13695
2200-2300
             9865
2300-0200
            15500
Hindi --- Target area - India
0100-0400
             9570
0400-1100
            13630
1100-1400
             9500
1400-1700
             9855
Indonesian (Bahasa) --- Target area - Indonesia
0400-1000
            17820
1000-1300
            15365
1300-1700
             7245
2300-0200
            15250
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CVC International English

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Target area - S Asia
0100-0300 7355
0300-0600 13685
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Target area - Indonesia, SE Asia
0900-1100
            11955
Target area - Indonesia, SE Asia, S Asia
0600-0900
            15335
1100-1800
            13635
Radio Christian Voice to Africa
English Target area - Southern/Central Africa
1700-0400
             4965
0400-0800
             6065
0800-1700
             9865
CVC International English
Target area - Southern/Central Africa
0515-1545
             9555
Target area - Nigeria
0500-0700
             9430
0700-0900
            15640
1500-1800
            15680
1800 2000
             9765
2000-2100
             7285
Latin America (Voz Cristiana)
Spanish Target area - Southern South America
1200-2400
             6070 [gh had asked them to move in deference to CFRX]
0000-1200
Target area - Northern South America, Central America & Caribbean
0100-0600
            11655
0600-1200
             9780
            17680
1200-0100
Target area - Mexico
0100-0400
            15585
Portuguese --- Target area - Brazil [Voz Crist,,]
0400-1100
            11890
1100-2400
            15485
0000-0400
            11745
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, India, dxldyg via DXLD)
** INTERNATIONAL. TDP SHORTWAVE TRANSMITTER AIRTIME SCHEDULE B05
                                                 mtwtfss Kurdish
Denge Mezopotamya
                             0500-1500 11530 AM
                                                                     ME
                                                 mtwtfss Kurdish
                                                                     MF
Denge Mezopotamya
                             1500-1700 7590 AM
                             1200-1300 15680 AM
                                                 mtwtfs. Vietnamese As
Que Huong Radio
                                                 mtwtf.. Vietnamese As
Radio Free Vietnam
                             1230-1300 11520 AM
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1400-1600 6015 DRMs. English

Eu

TDPradio

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Tensae Ethiopia V. of Unity 1500-1600 12115 AM mtwtfss Amharic
                                                                    Αf
Voice of Liberty - Eritrea
                             1600-1700 9485 AM
                                                 ..w.f.s Tigrigna
                                                                    Αf
TDPradio
                             1600-1800 11900 DRM ....s. English
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Radio V. of Oromo Liberation 1700-1730
                                       7590 AM m..t... Oromo
                                                                    Αf
Radio V. of ENUF
                             1700-1800
                                       7590 AM
                                                 ....f.s Amharic
                                                                    Αf
Radio Horvaal
                             1730-1800
                                        7560 AM
                                                 mtwt.ss Somali
                                                                    Αf
                             1800-1900 7560 AM
Voice of Delina
                                                 .....s Tigrigna
                                                                    Αf
R. Free Southern Cameroons
                            1800-1900 12130 AM
                                                .....s English
                                                                    Αf
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Source: TDP website (via Eric Zhou, China, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRAN. B05 IRIB Tehran operational schedule.

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3945 0130 0230 40E,41N
                              ZAH 500
                                         0 URDU
3945 0330 0430 39
                              KAM 500
                                        0 KURDI-SO
3945 1430 1530 40E,41W
                              ZAH 500
                                        0 PUSHTU-m
3945 1530 1730 40E,41N
                              ZAH 500
                                        0 URDU-m
3985 1630 0330 39,40
                              MAS 500
                                        0 ARABIC
3985 1700 1800 29-31
                              KAM 500
                                        0 RUSSIAN
3985 1900 1930 38E,39W
                              AHW 250
                                        0 Hebrew
3985 1930 2030 28E,29,30
                              KAM 500
                                         O RUSSIAN
5905 0030 0130 41NE
                              KAM 500 100 BENGALI
5935 2230 2330 49,50,54
                              SIR 500 106 MALAY-p
5945 1500 1600 30S,31S,40NE
                             KAM 500
                                       58 UZBAKI
5945 1600 1730 30,31,40,41,42 KAM 500
                                       58 TADJIKI
5945 2230 2330 49,50,54
                              SIR 500 106 MALAY
5955 0100 0230 30,31,40,41,42 SIR 500 43 TADJIKI
5955 1500 1600 30S,31S,40NE
                              SIR 500
                                       31 UZBAKI
5955 1600 1730 30,31,40,41,42 SIR 500
                                       43 TADJIKI
5960 1230 1330 40E,41W
                              SIR 500 68 PUSHTU-p
5970 1900 1930 38E,39W
                              KAM 500 250 Hebrew
5990 1330 1630 39
                              KAM 500
                                        0 KURDI-SH
6005 1630 1730 40E,41W
                              AHW 250 84 PUSHTU
6010 0130 0230 40E,41N
                              KAM 500 94 URDU
6010 1930 2030 27,28
                              KAM 500 304 ENGLISH
6015 1630 1730 40E,41W
                              SIR 500 90 PUSHTU
6015 1900 1930 38E,39W
                             KAM 500 250 Hebrew-p
6035 1800 1900 29,30
                              SIR 500 328 RUSSIAN
6040 0230 0300 30S,31S,40NE SIR 500 31 UZBAKI
6040 0300 0330 30,31
                              KAM 500 58 RUSSIAN
6065 1630 0530 37-39
                              SIR 500 295 ARABIC
6095 0230 0330 40E,41W
                             KAM 500 94 PUSHTU
6100 1830 1930 28S
                             SIR 500 295 ALBANI
                             SIR 500 295 ALBANI
6100 2030 2130 28S
6120 0130 0230 7-10
                             KAM 500 333 ENGLISH
6120 1330 1430 40E,41N
                              SIR 500 90 URDU-p
6130 1730 1800 41
                              SIR 500 90 URDU
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      6140
      0230
      0330
      40E,41W
      SIR
      500
      90
      PUSHTU

      6140
      1700
      1800
      29-31
      AHW
      250
      26
      RUSSIAN-p

      6145
      0330
      0430
      39
      SIR
      500
      295
      KURDI-SO

      6145
      2100
      2130
      45
      SIR
      500
      60
      JAPANESE

  6175 0100 0230 30,31,40,41,42 KAM 500 58 TADJIKI
 6175 0230 0300 30S,31S,40NE KAM 500 58 UZBAKI
6175 1230 1330 40E,41W SIR 500 68 PUSHTU
6175 1330 1430 40E,41N SIR 500 80 URDU
6180 1830 1930 27,28 KAM 500 310 FRENCH
6185 0030 0130 41NE KAM 500 100 BENGALI
  6185 1630 1730 29SE,39NE,40NW SIR 500 320 ARMENIAN

      6190
      0130
      0230
      40E,41N
      AHW
      250
      84
      URDU

      6200
      1430
      1700
      29S,40NW
      SIR
      500
      338
      TURKI-AZ

      6200
      1630
      0330
      39,48,53
      MAS
      500
      210
      ARABIC

      6215
      1730
      1830
      27,28
      SIR
      500
      320
      GERMANY

      6215
      1930
      2000
      28S
      SIR
      500
      295
      ITALY

7235 2130 2230 28S SIR 500 295 BOSSNI
7250 0330 0430 38E,39W KAM 500 250 VoPalestine
7250 0430 0500 38E,39W KAM 500 250 Hebrew-p
7260 1730 1830 28S KAM 500 298 BOSSNI-p
7265 0130 0230 30,31 SIR 500 18 KAZAKI
7275 2230 2330 49,50,54 KAM 500 109 Malay
   7295 0300 0330 29SE,39NE,40NW SIR 500 320 ARMENIAN

      7295
      0300
      0330
      293E,39NE,40NW
      SIR 500
      320
      ARMENTAN

      7295
      1730
      1830
      28S
      SIR 500
      320
      BOSSNI

      7295
      1930
      2000
      28S
      SIR 500
      295
      ALBANI-p

      7305
      1430
      1530
      41NE
      KAM 500
      298
      ITALY-p

      7305
      1800
      1900
      29,30
      KAM 500
      335
      RUSSIAN

      7310
      1600
      1730
      29S,39N
      KAM 500
      298
      TURKI-ES
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9505 0330 0430 38E,39W SIR 500 282 VoPalestine

9510 1200 1300 42-44 KAM 500 64 CHINA-p

9510 1300 1330 45 KAM 500 60 JAPANESE

9545 1430 1530 41NE KAM 500 100 BENGALI-p

9555 0030 0230 11-15 KAM 500 274 SPANISH-p

9565 1430 1530 39S,40S KAM 500 178 BENGALI

9565 1830 1930 46,47 KAM 500 259 FRENCH

9575 1430 1530 29,30 SIR 500 330 RUSSIAN
   9595 1730 1830 39S,47,48,52,53 KAM 500 210 SAWAHILI
  9635 2330 0030 44 KAM 500 64 CHINA

9640 1300 1330 45 SIR 500 60 JAPANESE

9660 1300 1400 30,31 SIR 500 30 KAZAKI

9665 0130 0230 7-10 SIR 500 328 ENGLISH

9680 0030 0230 11-15 KAM 500 274 SPANISH
9680 0030 0230 11-15 KAM 500 274 SPANISH
9695 0930 1000 29SE,39NE,40NW KAM 500 0 ARMENIAN
9705 1600 1730 29S,39N KAM 500 298 TURKI-ES-p
9705 1730 1830 28S KAM 500 298 BOSSNI
9710 2130 2230 28S KAM 500 298 BOSSNI
9735 1430 1530 30,31 AHW 250 26 RUSSIAN
9740 2030 2130 28S KAM 500 29S ALBANI
9750 2030 2130 27S,28S,37,38 SIR 500 295 SPANISH-p
9755 1830 1930 47,28 SIR 500 295 SPANISH-p
9775 1830 1930 46,47 SIR 500 268 Hausa
9790 1230 1330 40E,41W SIR 500 90 PUSHTU-p
9820 0430 0500 38E,39W KAM 500 250 Hebrew
9820 1300 1330 45 SIR 500 60 JAPANESE-p
9835 1330 1430 39 KAM 500 178 URDU
9845 0330 0430 38E,39W SIR 500 282VOPalestine?pIRNIRB
9855 1930 2030 52,53,57 KAM 500 205 ENGLISH
9855 2230 2330 49,50,54 KAM 500 109 Malay-p
9865 0330 0530 29S,40NW SIR 500 338 TURKI-AZ
9875 0300 0630 30S,31S,40E KAM 500 118 HINDI
9895 1200 1300 42-44 KAM 500 64 CHINA
9905 0030 0330 12-16 KAM 500 259 SPANISH
9935 1630 0530 37-39 SIR 500 295 ARABIC-p
   9695 0930 1000 29SE,39NE,40NW KAM 500 O ARMENIAN
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9940 0830 1500 30S,31S,40E KAM 100 85 DARI
      9940 1530 1630 41,49,50,54 KAM 500 100 ENGLISH
11640 1430 1530 41 SIR 500 95 HINDI-p
11670 1200 1300 42-44 KAM 500 65 CHINA
11695 1930 2030 52,53,57 SIR 500 211 ENGLISH
11705 0830 0930 39 SIR 500 198 BENGALI
11730 1430 1530 41NE SIR 500 102 HINDI-p
11745 1300 1400 30,31 KAM 500 58 KAZAKI
11750 1730 1830 47,48,52,53 SIR 500 223 SAWAHILI
11870 1230 1330 40E,41W KAM 500 118 PUSHTU
11910 0300 0630 30S,31S,40E KAM 100 85 DARI-p
11925 0430 0500 38E,39W SIR 500 282 Hebrew
11950 1330 1430 40E,41 KAM 500 118 URDU-p
11990 0730 0830 40E,41 SIR 500 65 PUSHTU
12005 1330 1430 40E,41 KAM 500 118 URDU
12025 0500 0530 28E,29,30 KAM 500 358 RUSSIAN
12090 1430 1530 41NE KAM 500 100 BENGALI-p
  13580 0830 1430 30S,31S,40E AHW 250 84 DARI-p
13600 1430 1530 41NE SIR 500 102 HINDI-p
13620 0630 0730 28S KAM 500 295 ITALY
  13640 0330 0430 39S,47,48,52,53 SIR 500 216 SAWAHILI
   13645 1200 1300 42-44 SIR 500 65 CHINA

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      1200
      1300
      42-44
      SIR 500
      65 CHINA

      13720
      0530
      0630
      27S,28S,37,38
      KAM 500
      289 SPANISH

      13720
      0830
      1430
      30S,31S,40E
      AHW 250
      84 DARI

      13740
      0300
      0630
      30S,31S,40E
      AHW 250
      84 DARI

      13745
      1430
      1530
      41NE
      SIR 500
      102 HINDI

      13750
      0430
      0600
      29S,39N
      KAM 500
      289 TURKI-ES

      13790
      0230
      1430
      38,39
      KAM 500
      289 ARABIC

      13800
      0230
      1430
      38,39
      ZAH 500
      289 ARABIC

15085 0630 0730 28S KAM 500 310 ITALY
15085 0730 0830 27,28 KAM 500 310 GERMANY
15125 0330 1630 39 MAS 500 210 ARABIC
15150 1200 1300 42-44 SIR 500 76 CHINA
15165 0230 0300 41 SIR 500 102 HINDI
15200 1230 1330 49,54 SIR 500 115 Malay
15235 0530 0630 28S KAM 500 298 BOSSNI
15235 0630 0730 28S KAM 500 298 ALBANI
15240 0830 0930 47,48,52,53 KAM 500 210 SAWAHILI
15260 0330 0430 395 47,48,52,53 KAM 500 210 SAWAHILI
   15260 0330 0430 39S,47,48,52,53 KAM 500 210 SAWAHILI
  15260 0430 0600 29S,39N KAM 500 298 TURKI-ES
  15260 0930 1000 29SE,39NE,40NW SIR 500 322 ARMENIAN
   15275 1230 1330 49,54 KAM 500 109 Malay
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15340 0530 0630 28S SIR 500 310 BOSSNI
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15460 1030 1130 41
                               KAM 500 109 ENGLISH
15480 1030 1130 41
                               KAM 500 100 ENGLISH
15530 0500 0530 28E,29,30
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15545 0530 1630 37-39
                               SIR 500 295 ARABIC
17590 0630 0730 27,28,37,38
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17680 0500 0530 30-33
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17780 0500 0530 30-33
                               SIR 500 46 RUSSIAN
17810 0600 0700 46,47
                               SIR 500 260 Hausa
21810 0600 0700 46,47
                                SIR 500 270 Hausa
-p = alternate (IRIB via wwdxc BC-DX Oct 25 via DXLD)
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Weird language spellings sic; presumably influenced by Farsi (gh)

** IRAN [non]. Is Radio Farda off of shortwave? If you go to Radio Farda website at:

http://www.rferl.org/listen/shortwave/shortwave-fa.asp it states:
``This service does not have shortwave broadcast available`` (Mike
Peraaho, Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It also says no MW, which is hard to believe --- I suspect the new schedules just haven't been put up and the page defaults to that message. I thought I heard R. Farda this morning, but did not hang around for an ID, or log the frequency. But some other RFE/RL services have 'dead' links to SW schedules and some do not. Remember that R. Sawa suddenly dropped SW without notice at a previous seasonal transition! O, the VOA sked via Eric Zhou includes plenty of SW, even tho R. Farda is not exactly VOA; see USA, VOA, Persian (gh, DXLD)

** ITALY [non]. Rai, 6110 via Ascension, UT Oct 30 at 0114 going from French news to German, // 11765. This must be the Notturno service, by mistake? Probably had English news a few minutes earlier (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. 9875 is now the frequency for English from NHK Warido R. Japan at 1400, as heard during news Oct 30 at 1403, shortly breaking for ID and frequency announcement; but much weaker than RNZI on new 9870 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JORDAN. R. Jordan, 11690, very good, loud & clear with news in English at 1700 Oct 30 (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. INAUGURAL BROADCAST TO JAPANESE ABDUCTEES IN NORTH KOREA OBSERVED

A shortwave transmission aimed at reaching Japanese citizens alleged to have been abducted to North Korea was observed commencing its inaugural broadcast on Sunday 30 October 2005 at 1530 gmt on 5890 kHz, going off the air at 1559 gmt.

The programme, called "Shiokaze" - sea breeze - was speech-based in Japanese (no Korean was noted) and was spoken over a constant background of piano music. No jamming was observed during the transmission, which was monitored with fair reception via a DX Tuners.Com web receiver based in Broome, on the north-west coast of Australia.

This daily broadcast is produced by a Japanese citizens' group called the Investigation Commission on Missing Japanese Probably Related to North Korea, and is beamed to North Korea in the hope of reaching abducted Japanese citizens in the hope of prompting a response, according to Japanese press reports. The shortwave transmitter is believed to be a commercially-hired one based in a nearby country.

An audio clip of the first 2 minutes of the broadcast can be heard on the Interval Signals Online web site at http://www.intervalsignals.net Regards, (Dave Kernick, Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not surprisingly, nothing audible here on 5890 at 1430 or 1530 Oct 30. I wonder how many were listening at 12:30 am local time instead of the originally publicized 11:30 pm --- if indeed any of the potential audience had any way of knowing about it. The later, the better, I suppose for secret listening (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Presume the one on 5890 fair with fading here 1537, best on LSB, man in Japanese talking above piano music (Mike Barraclough, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. USA/NORTH KOREA: CONGRESSIONAL PANEL EXAMINES BROADCASTING TO NORTH KOREA | Text of report by VOA News.com website on 27 October

A joint hearing of two congressional subcommittees has focused on the importance of broadcasting to bring accurate news and other information to the people of North Korea. North Korean refugees also testified to the congressional panel about continuing human rights violations and refugees caught up in human trafficking.

Under the North Korean Human Rights Act approved two years ago, Congress said it wanted US international broadcasting to North Korea to be expanded.

The Voice of America, as well as another US-funded broadcaster, Radio Free Asia [RFA], both transmit programmes to North Korea where the Kim Jong-Il regime tightly controls all media.

In 2004, Congress endorsed increasing US-funded broadcasting to North Korea, saying such transmissions should be increased to 12 hours a day. That goal has still not been met.

Kelu Chao, associate-director for language programming at VOA, says Voice of America doubled its Korean broadcasts in 2003, despite the lack of additional funding and resources.

She outlines the importance of the broadcasts and the risks North Koreans take to listen to external broadcasts.

"The extremely closed environment in which North Koreans live has made this population desperate for news about their country and the world," she said. "Radios must be registered and dials are fixed. Anyone who tampers with a radio or dares to listen to us can expect to be imprisoned."

She and Daniel Southerland, vice-president for programming of Radio Free Asia, say both stations could do more, expand news coverage and the current seven hour per day schedule, if they had more money.

Mr Southerland says one focus of RFA programming is the stories of those to manage to flee the North, by whatever routes they can.

"All of a sudden you see North Koreans getting all the way to Burma. They get to Laos, they come out through Vietna," he explained. "This is unbelievable what people go through to escape from North Korea."

Both broadcast officials say the radio stations bring North Koreans information they cannot otherwise obtain, adding that listeners know the difference between objective news and propaganda.

"People who live under dictatorships [are] very familiar with propaganda, and they know [instinctively] what it is, so if we provide or anybody provides propaganda, they will turn us off immediately," she explained.

In other testimony, North Korean refugees painted a picture of harsh conditions for people there and the dangers awaiting those who manage to flee.

Ma Soon Hee fled North Korea in the 1990's, ending up in China, and

eventually South Korea. She spoke through a translator, about how she and her daughters were caught up in human trafficking in China.

"From early morning to late night, we would be working and working and working and we didn't have any rights, we weren't able to speak our minds and we were not able to spend money as we wished to," she explained. "The logic was they had purchased us, they had paid for us so they had the right to use us for whatever need or purpose."

Congressman Chris Smith, who chairs the House committee on Global Human Rights, said such experiences are all too common and criticized China's unwillingness to cooperate more with the UN refugee commission.

"China's refusal to grant the UNHCR [High Commissioner for Human Rights] access to the border provinces despite being a party to the refugee convention and its protocol and its general refusal to allow the UNHCR to process most North Korean refugees in China, is absolutely unacceptable," he said. "So is the Chinese government's blind eye to human trafficking."

US officials have told Congress about difficulties getting more cooperation from Asian countries used as transit points by North Korean refugees.

Congressman Smith renewed calls for Beijing to change its policies, and said he is also troubled by what he calls the apparent inability of the United States to implement the North Korea Human Rights Act and do more to assist and resettle refugees. Source: VOA News.com website, Washington D.C., in English 27 Oct 05 (via BBCM via DXLD)

Read the report by Dan Robinson, audio also available http://www.voanews.com/english/2005-10-27-voa76.cfm (Media Network blog via DXLD)

** LAOS [non]. Looking around for Hmong Lao Radio via WHRI, Sunday Oct 30 at 1306, came across 7520 which sure sounded like their talk, including English `peaceful coexistence` for which there is apparently no equivalent in Hmong! This had been on 11785 during A-05, and that is where the WHR online schedule search still shows it: 11785 Sat at 1200, Sun at 1300 --- but definitely NOT on 11785 any more. I would also have expected this to shift one UT hour later in both cases. Maybe they haven't caught up with standard time yet. Studios are in Indiana, after all. Last B-04 this was on 15105, which again shows on the undated online schedule for Angel 1, but not until 1400-1600 Sat/Sun, while 11785 is at the same time M-F; and 7520 daily at 1200-1400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LUXEMBOURG. Radio amateurs and SWLs will be pleased to know that Radio Luxembourg in DRM is now on 7295. Registered schedule is 0900-1545, they have registered 7145 again but at 1545-1700 (Mike Barraclough, worlddxclub via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA/SARAWAK. 5030 // 7130, Sarawak FM (RTM), Oct 28, 1427-1458, non-stop reciting from the Qur`an. QRM from CPBS programming, also // (Ron Howard, Monterey, CA, RX340 + T2FD antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER. OVERVIEW OF THE MEDIA ENVIRONMENT | Text of BBC editorial analysis on 27 October

Radio

Radio is the dominant medium in urban Niger. Seventy-three per cent listen daily and spend around four hours a day listening. In comparison, 49 per cent of adults watch TV daily and spend around 2.5 hours a day watching.

Because literacy and income are very low, radio remains the most important outlet for news and information.

There are three main peaks in radio listening - in the morning (0500-0600 gmt), lunchtime (1200-1400) and in the evening (1800-2130).

Speech stations are more popular than music, with 65 per cent listening weekly to a talk station compared with 46 per cent to a music station.

The BBC and state broadcaster Voix du Sahel are the most listened to radio stations, closely followed by Anfani FM, then Saraounia, Voice of America, Deutsche Welle, Tenere and RFI.

La Voix du Sahel (formerly Radio Niger) is the only national radio station. It broadcasts on FM, shortwave and mediumwave. It is also the only station to offer programmes in eight languages (65 per cent of its broadcasts are in local African dialects).

Anfani has the widest coverage of the private stations. Since its launch it has been supported by the American embassy in Niger and has received more assistance than any other station.

Television

TV viewing is very much an evening activity, with the audience peaking between 2000-2200 gmt. This is largely due to the fact that the main TV station, state-run Tele Sahel, is only broadcast in the evenings -

for approximately four hours in the week and seven hours at weekends.

Tele Sahel is the most popular station. Its main competitor is Tenere TV, which is a private station based in Niamey.

Tenere TV broadcasts for seven hours a day, including transmissions during the day. Since Tenere TV's launch in February 2000, Tele Sahel has responded by improving its programming.

TeleStar is the only domestic subscription channel. To access the channel viewers must first obtain a TV5 antenna, then buy a decoder and finally pay a monthly subscription fee. As a result TeleStar only attracts a small audience.

CFI and TV5 news are both broadcast on Tele Sahel, giving them national reach and a distinct advantage over other stations.

Cable/satellite ownership is limited (8 per cent of households) resulting in restricted reach for international news channels.

The Niger media market is vernacular oriented. The growth of English-language audiences is likely to be impeded by limited English-language understanding. CNN is the most popular English news station, followed by BBC World.

Other media

Media groups are starting to form and could pose an increasing threat in the future. Anfani owns a radio station, newspaper and magazine and Tenere owns a FM station and TV station.

Low levels of literacy restrict the print market. In Niger, as in other countries on the continent, only a minority can read, though literacy is higher in urban areas.

Almost a third of adults read a paper/magazine regularly in urban Niger. The weekly tabloid La Roue de l'Histoire (The Wheel of History) is the most popular publication, followed by Le Republicain (weekly paper) and Le Sahel (daily paper).

The internet market is very small, with 1 per cent of adults going online weekly and 2 per cent monthly.

Niger only has one official news agency - the Agence Nigerienne de Presse (ANP) - a government body which collects information from within Niger and abroad to distribute to Nigerien media and certain administrative services. Source: BBC Monitoring research 27 Oct 05 (via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. It doesn't seem the arrival of B-05 has to do with African SW transmissions in the sense they are more locally intended.

Well, the English Service of Voice of Nigeria just delivered a pleasant surprise with a powerful signal I don't get from them at least for the last 6 months on 7255 opening at 0500, Sun. Oct. 30th, mostly with news and commentaries but little or no music this time.

Conditions in their broadcasts remain the same: clear audio while newsreaders are on the air, but oh no! --- that terrible muffled audio whenever they play those pre-recorded programs, that invites you to think they are not coming even from an open-reel tape (unless played at low speed), but from a cassette tape recorder (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VON, 7255, seems to be there all day and all others inactive. Was audible in Europe in quite good quality until 0630, and from 1545 after closedown of AIR - of course winter schedules might change everything on the frequency.

Radio Kaduna, 4770, Oct. 26, 28, reactivated but usually quite weak, sign-off before 2230, English (Thorsten Hallmann, M.nster, Germany, http://africa.coolfreepage.com/africalist Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. Re 5-186: Radio Pakistan heard today, in the North Eastern UK, from 0800 to 0810 with news in English on 15100 and 17835. Poor to fair signal and virtually unintelligible due to some sort of transmitter problem. ID at start and end of news.

First day of B-05 monitoring in English: 1600-1615, Radio Pakistan only heard on 9385 good and intelligible unlike 0800 broadcast; nothing on 6215 11570 15725 (Harry Brooks, Heard in North East UK with a Sangean ATS803 portable, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. Re 5-186, 4835.459, Radio MaraÒon "LV del Rondero Valiente": Kommentar frÂn Henrik Klemetz p svenska f^r SWB:

P Panamericana TV har den spanske katolske pr%sten och direkt^ren f^r Radio Maraòûn anklagats f^r att delta i en "terroristgrupp" i JaÈnomrÂdet. Uppgiften kom ursprungligen frÂn en lokal tidskrift i JaÈn och bakgrunden till det hela %r en strid om en lokal gruva. 60 radiostationer i Peru har skrivit p ett uttalande d%r uppgiften beskrivs som "ogrundad" och som "f^rtal". Lokala organisationer, bl a "Rondas campesinas" i JaÈn, har demonstrerat till f^rmÂn f^r Fader Muguiro. Det %r mÂh%nda en del av bakgrunden till att stationen nu bjuder p en ny slogan (eller ett program?), "La Voz del Rondero Valiente", Den modige vaktmannens r^st. L%s mera om saken i

http://www.cnr.org.pe/pronunciamineto4.htm /med lÂng lista av anslutna stationer!/ och http://www.radiomaranon.org.pe

P Bj^rns hemsida har jag nyligen f^rs^kt f^rklara bakgrunden till att Radio Difusora Huancabamba (6535) nu kallar sig "La Voz del Rondero". "Rondero" kallas en deltagare i en "ronda campesina", det slags "lokalpolis" som i Âtminstone 25 Ârs tid funnits i delar av Peru, mest p landsbygden i norr, och som haft till uppgift att f^rhindra boskapsst^lder och annan brottslighet i omrÂden d%r den riktiga polisen inte syns till. Verksamheten %r helt laglig. Den f^rsta stationen som drevs av en "ronda campesina" var La Voz de San Antonio I Bambamarca, 6626 och senare 5645 kHz. Den QSL-ade ju mÂnga i Sverige och f^r ett tiotal Âr sedan s%nde den ocks ett specialprogram f^r NORDX. Stationen h^rdes helt visst, men specials%ndningen gick en timme tidigare %n vad som angavs i t%vlingsprogrammet, vilket var undertecknads fel eftersom jag blandat ihop sommartid med vinterdito!! (/Henrik Klemetz, SW Bulletin via DXLD)

On Panamericana TV, Francisco Muguiro Ibarra, a Spanish Catholic priest and the manager of Radio Maraòûn, has been accused of participating in a "terrorist group" in the JaÈn area. The news item originally came from a local magazine in JaÈn, "El Paisa" and the background seems to be a mining dispute. By way of their parent organization, CNR, 60 community broadcasters all over the country, as well as local organizations such as the Rondas Campesinas, have rallied in support of Padre Muguiro rejecting the accusations and calling them unfounded and slanderous. This is part of the background of the slogan Bj^rn has been hearing, "La Voz del Rondero Valiente", The Voice of the Valiant Sentinel. More info can be found at http://www.cnr.org.pe/pronunciamiento4.htm (see long list of affiliated stations) and http://www.radiomaranon.org.pe (Henrik Klemetz, via Rafael Rodrìguez, condig list via DXLD)

Ahora en nuestro mundo cualquier pensamiento contrario al sistema es considerado "terrorista" (Rafael RodrÌguez, Colombia, ibid.)

** POLAND. R. Polonia, 11850, English now an hour later, Oct 30 at 1311, woman talking with rattling noise, which was splatter from the commie Cuban jammer on 11845 against R. Martì, which is not even on 11845 at this hour! Helps to tune up to 11852 or so. At least there is no broadcast QRM on 11850 itself. 1333 ID for R. Polonia and into mailbag; 11850 had some flutter. This frequency is more or less aimed our way, more so than their other ones in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. First day of B-05 monitoring in English: 1300-1400, Radio Romania, 15105 good signal but totally unintelligible due to very very quiet audio (Harry Brooks, North East UK with a Sangean ATS803

portable, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 7320, Oct 30 at 1203 tuned in to talk, local music, features, from Magadan listed 100 kW, probably relaying R. Rossii, 1259 fading out with pips and ID as R. Rossii then. Should be interesting to listen to into the winter (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAIPAN. Relaying BBC or Radio Australia for lack of money. Public radio station in Northern Mariana Islands, short of funds, "may ... be forced to switch to an all-news format, with feeds from the British Broadcasting Corp. or Radio Australia." Saipan Tribune, 27 October 2005. http://www.saipantribune.com/newsstory.aspx?cat=1&newsID=51695 (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA. SAUDI CLERIC CONSIDERS ALLOWING GIRLS TO PARTICIPATE IN HIS TV PROGRAMME

Text of report by Mirza al-Khuwaylidi in Dammam entitled "A'id al-Qarni is Thinking of Including Girls in the La Tahzan Programme", published by London-based newspaper Al-Sharq al-Awsat website on 28 October

Saudi preacher Dr A'id al-Qarni, standing not in the mosque or in the studio, but in the middle of a green park and surrounded by artificial lakes, delivers his Ramadan sermons as part of the "Do not Feel Sad" [La Tahzan] programme aired every night on Saudi television. In the programme, the camera zooms in on the scholar's face as he walks on the green grass, wearing his traditional robe, waving with one hand, and holding the edge of his robe with the other. As the camera turns, the Saudi preacher approaches it like an expert in television photography.

Beginning with Ramadan this year, a number of Saudi preachers known for their grim faces and serious attitude tried to steer away from what some believe to be the grimness that characterizes religious discourse. One of them looked more tolerant and relaxed in his sermons and religious edicts on the television screen. Speaking to Al-Sharq al-Awsat yesterday, Dr Al-Qarni said that he is trying to break the cycle of stagnation, routine and stereotypes.

Al-Qarni added that he had recorded 30 episodes of the programme in Al-Sulaymaniyah, on the Cairo-Alexandria road in Egypt, amidst golf courses. The idea came from the programme director Muhammad al-Samahi.

Al-Qarni disclosed the establishment of a new company named "La Tahzan" [Do not Feel Sad], which is headed by Abdallah al-Qaffari and supervised by Thamir al-Muhaymid. It is a commercial media company

that seeks profit and is based in Riyadh. It has a branch in Cairo. The company is in charge of promoting the La Tahzan book written by Al-Qarni. The book is very popular and has been published in 29 languages. According to reports, Indonesians in the past six months bought over 120,000 copies of the book.

The La Tahzan programme, presented by Al-Qarni on Saudi Television, features a group of young men, whose faces are not displayed, who describe miserable circumstances in their lives. Al-Qarni gives them advice about their conditions.

Asked about the possibility of the participation of women in this programme to relay their problems, as men do, Al-Qarni told Al-Sharq al-Awsat that the issue is under study and that there are many requests by girls to take part in the programme. In the future we will seek to make room for girls to appear, but from behind a screen to cover their faces, so that only their voice would be heard.

Thirty episodes of the programmes have been recorded in Egypt. Shaykh Al-Qarni said that the recording had exhausted him physically because the filming takes place in open places in the sun. Shaykh Al-Qarni excels in presenting his ideas using eloquent and poetic language. He gives his advice mixed with experience and stories that bring the matter closer to the reality of viewers. Source: Al-Sharq al-Awsat website, London, in Arabic 28 Oct 05 (via BBCM via DXLD) see EGYPT

** SUDAN. Radio Omdurman, sign-on noted at 1500 on 9505. Usually Arabic, fair-good throughout the broadcast until 1900. not heard on 7200. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Monster, Germany, http://africa.coolfreepage.com/africalist Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also ERITREA

** TURKEY. First day of B-05 monitoring in English: 1330-1400+, Voice of Turkey not heard on 11735; started late on 15155 about 1340, good signal but same as Romania just a tiny hardly audible noise in the background (Harry Brooks, Heard in North East UK with a Sangean ATS803 portable, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. For BBC World Service, "biggest transformation in 70 years." Confirms closure of Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Greek, Hungarian, Kazakh, Polish, Slovak, Slovene and Thai service to enable funding of Arabic TV channel and more investment in New Media. . .

In case you want even more press about this, see the Oct 28 revision of http://www.kimandrewelliott.com where there is also lots more new material (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. 26 MHz DRM tests from London have now started on 26080. Fair

signal here though have not got a DRM decoder, be interested to know what they are transmitting. More details of the service now here http://www.drmrx.org/forum/showthread.php?s=&threadid=1244 (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) How far are you from Crystal Palace? Seems a bit far for groundwave (gh, DXLD)

** U K [non?]. On 15680, Christian rock, Oct 30, 1700 ID in English as CVC, site? PWBR `2006` has BVBN via J lich here (Joe Hanlon, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST) CVC English 15-18 on 15680 target is Nigeria, anyway

** U S A. Voice of America B05 Frequencies Effective from October 30 2005 through March 25 2006

Afan Oromo

1730-1800 7245 11690 13800 Mon-Fri

Albanian

0600-0630 1215 6030 7115 9635 1700-1730 7115 11665 11855 1930-2000 1458 7115 9705

Amharic

1800-1900 7245 11690 13800

Arabic (Radio Sawa)

0000-0400 89.2 90.5 92.6 95.7 98.1 98.7 100.8 990 1260 1431 1548 0004-0800 89.2 90.5 92.6 95.7 98.1 98.7 100.8 990 1260 1548 0008-1500 89.2 90.5 92.6 95.7 98.1 98.7 100.8 990 1548 1500-1600 89.2 90.5 92.6 95.7 98.1 98.7 100.8 990 1260 1548 1600-2400 89.2 90.5 92.6 95.7 98.1 98.7 100.8 990 1260 1431 1548

Azerbaijani 1830-1900 9750 9800 12025

Bangla

0130-0200 11500 15160 15210 1600-1700 1575 7280 11500 15185

Bosnian

2230-2300 792 Mon-Fri

Burmese

1130-1200 1575 6140 9325 15225 1430-1500 1575 5955 9325 11965 2330-2400 6135 7260 9720

Cantonese

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2200-2230 9525 9670 21540
Croatian
0530-0600 756 1458 7165 9635 9655
1930-2000 6050 7105 7270
Dari (Radio Ashna)
0130-0230 100.5 972 1296 9335 12140
1500-1530 100.5 972 1296 9335 12140
1630-1730 100.5 972 1296 11770 12140
1800-1830 100.5 972 1296 11770 12140
1930-2030 100.5 972 1296 7595
English to Europe, Middle East, and North Africa
0000-0030 96.9 1593
0030-1000 96.9
0100-0130 96.9 1593
0130-0900 96.9
0900-1100 96.9 15615
1100-1200 96.9 13865 15615 17555
1200-1500 96.9
1500-1700 96.9 9685 11835 15255
1700-2400 96.9
English to Africa
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0330-0400 909 1530 4930 6035 6045 6080 7290 9885
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0430-0500 909 4930 4960 6080 9575 9775
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Georgian

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Hausa

0430-0500 6015 7290 9885 Mon-Fri

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Hindi

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Kinyarwanda/Kirundi

0330-0430 7340 9540 11915

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Korean

1300-1400 648 5985 7235 9555 15250

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Laotian

1230-1300 1575 6030 7205 11930

Ndebele

1800-1830 909 9830 12080 17785 Mon-Fri

Pashto

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1530-1630 100.5 972 1296 9335 12140

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1830-1930 100.5 972 1296 7595

Persian

0300-0400 1593 7200 9435 17740

1700-1800 1593 6160 9680 12110

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Persian (Radio Farda)

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2130-2400 1170 1575

Portuguese to Africa

0430-0500 1530 5890 9480 9675

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1800-1830 1530 7290 9805 Mon-Fri

Russian

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1800-1900 3980 6105 7220 9520 9650 11885

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Serbian

0630-0645 1458 6035 7105 7115

2030-2100 792 7175 9505 9805

2200-2230 756 7155 9505 9655 Mon-Fri

Shona

1700-1730 909 4930 9830 12080 17785

Spanish

0100-0200 9480 9825 9885 11700 11990

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Swahili

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1700-1730 17580 17705 21480 Mon-Fri

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Turkish

0430-0500 792 7200 9605 9835 Mon-Fri

1130-1200 9555 11870 15120 Mon-Fri

1900-2000 792 9485 9590 11875

Ukrainian

0500-0530 3985 6170 9725 Mon-Fri

2100-2115 6140 6215 9565

2115-2130 6140 6215 9565 Mon-Fri

Urdu (Radio Aap ki Dunyaa)

0000-0100 972

0100-0200 972 6170 9510 9705

1400-1500 972 9510 12150 15540

1500-1700 972

1700-1800 972 7260 9785 11500

1800-2400 972

Uzbek

1500-1530 801 9865 11590 11780 15325

Vietnamese

1300-1330 1575 9325 9890 15150

1500-1600 1170 5955 7150 9325 9725

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Source: VOA website (via Eric Zhou, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WYFR in Okeechobee, Florida, which had been down since Sunday evening (US time) due to Hurricane Wilma, is apparently back up, as I am listening to Radio Taiwan International's broadcast at 0200 UT on 5950, which is normally via the WYFR relay. (I think the last time I had heard RTI was the German broadcast at 2100 on Sunday. It's possible that they could have switched relays, as I didn't hear the very beginning of the broadcast.) (Ted Schuerzinger, location unknown, UT Oct 30, Swprograms mailing list via DXLD) I heard WYFR earlier Oct 29 as in 5-186 (gh)

WYFR sent these last minute changes Oct 28. Note especially the far OOB frequency of 7780 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Please note the following changes to the WYFR B-2005 schedule.

1.	cancel 5745	0500-1000 UT	_		50 KW
	add 6000	same characteristics as above			
2.	cancel 5810	0500-0800 UT	44 deg	Zones 27, 39	100 KW
	add 5745	II	11	Zone 27	п
3.	cancel 5810	0800-1200 UT	160 deg	Zone 14	100 KW
	add 6000	same characteristics as above			
	(indicated overlap with number one above to be resolved ASAP)				
4.	cancel 5810	2000-2300 UT	44 deg	Zones 27, 28	100 KW
	add 5745	5 same characteristics as above			
5.	cancel 7355	0300-0745 UT	44 deg	Zones 27, 28	100 KW
	add 7780 same characteristics as above				
6.	cancel 7355	1045-1345 UT	315 deg	Zone 2	100 KW
	add 7780 same characteristics as above				
7.	cancel 17510	1400-1600 UT	160 deg	Zone 13	100 KW
	add 17555 same characteristics as above				
8.	cancel 17510	1700-2145 UT	285 deg	Zone 10	100 KW
	add 17555 same characteristics as above				
(via	ria Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)				

WYFR's last-minute change from 7355 to way-out-of-band 7780 was already on UT Oct 30 around 0500, and still audible at 1307 check (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. "WHAT I DO KNOW IS LOBBYING" SAYS NEW NAB CHIEF

It's remarkable what people will sometimes unintentionally reveal about themselves. Case in point: David Rehr, the new president of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB). http://www.radioink.com/HeadlineEntry.asp?hid=131081&pt=todaysnews

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He has no previous experience in broadcasting --- his previous

position was president of the National Beer Wholesalers Association -- but he's quite proud of his political lobbying skills:

``I know how to make a message simple to communicate with a busy policymaker; I know how to form lasting relationships with members of Congress and ask for support when I need it.``

This, in a nutshell, is what the NAB is really all about --- namely, getting preferential treatment, and protection from new competitors, from Congress. Their mission isn't to meet competition head-on with hard work and innovative thinking --- my God, don't you realize how much time and energy that takes??? --- but instead to spread around the cash to get Congress to rig the game in their favor. And that is why a guy whose previous gig was making sure the beer wholeselling business didn't get too competitive --- after all, we don't want people to be able to buy beer too cheaply! --- was a perfect choice to head the NAB. His utter, total lack of experience in broadcasting is not a handicap; it's simply irrelevant to his real job, which is to spread around the NAB's cash to compliant Senators and Congressional representatives.

And Rehr's selection as NAB president tells you the mindset of the broadcasting companies and stations who make up the NAB. They see their "audience" as the FCC and Congress, not people who actually own and listen to radios. Instead of embracing and exploiting new technologies such as satellite radio and cellphonecasting, they want to be protected from them. Instead of aggressively competing for listeners and ad dollars in the new media universe, they want their traditional sinecures protected.

The broadcasting industry, through the NAB, is pursuing the same strategy followed by other "legacy" American industries --- such as shipbuilding, textiles, footwear, and steel --- of relying on political protection for survival instead of relying on innovation and adapting to change. And I suspect the NAB will be just as successful in its efforts as shipbuilding, textiles, footwear, and steel were. Posted on October 28, 2005 (Harry Helms, futureofradio blog via DXLD)

** U S A. LOW POWER AM BROADCASTING PETITION ACCEPTED BY THE FCC

In a very surprising development, the FCC has accepted for consideration a proposal to create a low power broadcasting service in the 1600-1700 kHz range of the AM band. . . http://www.diymedia.net/archive/1005.htm#102305
Comments are due to the FCC by November 20, and full copies of the proposal can be found at the link above. Posted on October 27, 2005 (Harry Helms, futureofradio blog via DXLD)

** U S A. Programmes I Like (# 15) --- "The Health Show" -- WAMC:

A production of Northeast Public Radio in New York State, "The Health Show" is a 25 minute programme about human health, and the health aspects of other areas of our lives, hosted by Bob Barrett and Dr. Nina Sax.

After the opening billboard of upcoming items by the hosts, we move into the interviews, as well as the correspondent reports, that form the real content of the show. Some items are full-length interviews. The interviewes can be health experts, health innovators, newsmakers, health care workers, as well as ordinary folk.

These interviews and reports discuss various aspects of health, as well as recent health news. The topic of health is very broadly considered, viz. not only the medical and biological aspects, but also mental health, public health, dentistry, and health policy issues. Many items are approached from the grass-roots, or practical, perspective.

There are also discussions of the health implications of current stories in the mainstream news. The lead piece usually provides the background, implications, and an explanation of an item in recent news.

Some items are more serious health-related than are others. Often there is an educational component to the reports and interviews featured in "The Health Show". These are often the best items in each show, as they provide guidance for those wishing to follow up on what is discussed.

All features provide explanations, background, and features of health problems and issues. There are frequent musical interludes between items. Mid-show, the hosts give a rundown of health news headlines, and offer reports which amplify those headlines.

As one of the hosts (Dr. Nina Sax) is a medical doctor, she can offer expert comment and questions on the topics raised, and contribute an expert view in the frequent between-item conversations with the other host (Bob Barrett).

"The Health Show" is very much a generalist show on the broad topic of health and is aimed at a generalist audience. It is for those listeners who are interested in health-related stories in the news as well as the health implications in happenings in our everyday lives. It provides a pleasant and informative listen for those whose interest in health is more practical than research oriented.

Website: http://www.healthshow.org/
E-Mail: letters @ healthshow.org

(Peter Bowen, Canada?, Oct 30, Swprograms mailing list via DXLD)

Schedule of stations webcasting it:

http://www.publicradiofan.com/cgi-bin/program.pl?programid=914
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN. Looking at the schedules that can be selected from this page, http://www.oecumene.radiovaticana.org/en1/palin_ing.asp it appears that the new schedule has been posted. However, it does not explicitly say for which period the schedules apply. I am assuming from the date at the bottom of the page it is for B05 (Harry Brooks, North Eastern UK, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

When looking at the Scandinavian program it sure is the B05 - changed frequencies and times. 73, (Erik Koie in Copenhagen, ibid.)

** VENEZUELA [non]. I was waiting for ``AlÛ Presidente`` via Cuba on Oct 30, from tune-in 1403 on 11875 with big open carrier; 1406 finally brought up very distorted overmodulated audio, joining in progress intro to ``Mundo Siete``, which dealt with the usual Cuban commie obsessions. 1412 found it audible on // 17750, in the absence of WYFR, but much weaker than 11875, and not synchronized but reverberating. Then looked for others: 15230 had converted from RHC mainstream earlier to this at 1415 check, but still way under CRI via Canada, commies vs commies! 11670 was also on without WYFR QRM any more, and also reverbing when compared to 15230 on another receiver; I think 13680 was also on, but almost lost in the sideband of CRI in English via Canada on new 13675. 13750 was in the clear for Venezuelan service, and reverbing compared to 11875. Rechecked at 1458, 11875 in music, incredibly distorted (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6660, 24.10 1400, unID Russian playing with their military station. Tough popmusic, followed by Russian talk. I thought they announced as ``Radio Sputnik``, which is not strange. S 3-4. (Bj^rn Fransson, Sweden, SW Bulletin Oct 30, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

Here's a check to keep your SW operations going --- use it for what it's worth (Joe Hanlon, NJ, Oct 22)

PUBLICATIONS +++++++

MEDIUM WAVE IS ALIVE TO THE SOUND OF DX

Dear MW Radio Enthusiast, Right now is the season for receiving long distance Medium Wave Broadcast signals. Best conditions are usually Autumn through to Spring but this year we are also rapidly approaching the sunspot minimum, a period that usually enhances reception of long distance MW signals.

Right now long distance MW radio reception is probably the best it has been for more than 5 years - some people say 15 years! Just last week Hawaii was heard for the First time in the UK!!

So there is no better time than now to put on your listening ears and turn the dials. And of course re-join the premier club for radio enthusiasts interested in the medium waves, the Medium Wave Circle.

You will receive Medium Wave News regularly and you will have use of the MWC e-news service and the Reprint Service.

In fact things are even better since right now the Circle has a special offer that will save you money.

Join the Circle now and you can save money on the 2006 World Radio TV Handbook or Passport to World Band Radio. We can save you up to 22% off these books if you order them through the Circle.

To find out more about the Circle please visit www.mwcircle.org where you can download a free sample pdf copy of Medium Wave News. You can also see full details of various membership options, membership forms and payment options.

If you can't wait to join and to save money on WRTH here is our quick deal:

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UK: £12 membership rate unchanged for 12 years!!

Europe: £16 30Euro

Rest of World: £21 \$35US (airmail delivery of MWN)

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Rest of World: £43 \$78US (airmail delivery of MWN)

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I look forward to welcoming you to the Circle. Best wishes and good listening (Steve Whitt, General Editor Medium Wave News, Oct 29, mwdx yg via DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

IFA 2006, 2007. . .

From now on the IFA fair at Berlin will take place every year, the next one has just been scheduled for Sep 1 to Sep 6 2006. The reason given for this decisions is an observed acceleration of developments in the media/entertainment technology (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING

As I was commenting yesterday, a DRM test (DW?) finally screw it up! No way I could listened CBC 9625 with the Saturday Night Blues Special when I tuned at 0300. All along the entire 2 hour duration of this show was that awful deep hiss or harsh, just to learn near the end of the show that World Blues Ambassador B. B. King was interviewed by host Holger Petersen. Well, thanks Mr. DRM. If this go on for the incoming B-05, I¥ll to miss the SNBS for the remainder of this period. See why I told you this is a damn disgrace? (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nothing on 9625 or vicinity in the B-05 DRM schedule at: http://www.hfcc.org/data/B05drm.html (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CANADA; LUXEMBOURG; UK

PROPAGATION

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ARNIE CORO'S DXERS UNLIMITED'S HF PLUS LOW BAND VHF PROPAGATION UPDATE AND FORECAST

And now amigos, just before going QRT, here is our exclusive and not copyrighted, in the public domain, for free distribution to all radio hobby enthusiasts, Arnie Coro's Dxers Unlimited's HF plus low band VHF propagation update and forecast. Solar activity is at extremely low levels, no less than five days in a row without a single sunspot --zero sunspot count, and the microwave solar flux at 2800 megaHertz is hovering near the minimum baseline activity figure. Very quiet geomagnetic conditions will prevail, and the maximum useable frequencies will be rather low, with short, but useable time windows when you can certainly work DX with your average power 100 Watts amateur transceivers. For contest operators, excellent conditions on the 160, 80 and 40 meter bands will let you add lots of multipliers, but during your local daylight hours on Sunday, do go to 10 and 15 meters as I expect some nice openings on those two bands until late afternoon local time. And don't forget to set a little time aside when the contest is over to tell me about how many DX entities you worked or monitored, and if this propagation forecast helped you!!! Send mail to arnie @ rhc.cu or VIA AIR MAIL, send a postcard or letter to Arnie Coro, Radio Havana Cuba, Havana, Cuba (Prof. Arnaldo Coro Antich, CO2KK, RHC DXers Unlimited Oct 29 via ODXA via DXLD) ###